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Our names are Mary Tomasi and Linda Stoddard. We served as treasurers for the Committee to Re-Elect Orange 2012. We urge the Appropriations Committee not to accept recommendations from the Governor's Office regarding the placement of the State Elections Enforcement Commission in the Office of Hearings.

It was extremely valuable for us, the local candidate treasurers, to have a liaison at SEEC. This helped us understand the laws and regulations of administering the program at the local level. By putting SEEC in a bureaucracy would only impede local treasurers from fulfilling their obligations to their candidates.

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